Message

From: Thomas, Christopher [Thomas.Christopher@epa.gov]

Sent: 1/23/2020 4:49:12 PM

To: Hirsh, Steven [Hirsh.Steven@epa.gov]

CC: Baker, Lorie [Baker.Lorie@epa.gov]; O'Loughlin, Connor [oloughlin.connor@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: Request for regional site fact sheets for FY2021 budget hearings

Attachments: Blades Groundwater Site.docx

Steve: Please see the attached bullets for Blades.

From: Hirsh, Steven <Hirsh.Steven@epa.gov> Sent: Thursday, January 23, 2020 11:26 AM

To: Baker, Lorie <Baker.Lorie@epa.gov>; Thomas, Christopher <Thomas.Christopher@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: Request for regional site fact sheets for FY2021 budget hearings

Hi Chris,

I already talked to Lorie or Can you (or a SAM) do the 2-3 bullets (we don't need an issue paper) on Blades, or have Connor do it today?

I think everything we need is contained in this...

"PFAS has continually been detected at 3 municipal and 8 residential wells above the HAL and was identified in the groundwater surrounding two electroplating facilities. There is ongoing, successful treatment of the Blades public water supply and residential wells to remove metals, PFOA and PFOS. The site has been proposed to the National Priorities List and a public comment period is open from November 8, 2019 to January 7, 2020. On December 5, EPA held a well-attended public meeting at the Blades Fire Hall to discuss EPA's proposal. The Delaware Department of Natural Resources (DNREC), the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR), and the Delaware Department of Health were in attendance to answer site and health related questions. The site team provided media interviews before the meeting. "

Thanks Steve

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HQ is looking for our blurbs to be no more than 2-3 bullets.

Thanks,

Chad Nitsch

Director, Office of Public Affairs

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From: Leonard, Paul < leonard.paul@epa.gov > Sent: Thursday, January 23, 2020 10:52 AM

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Nonresponsive based on revised scope So we need a blurb or

one for Blades and No need for fact sheets.

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From: Nitsch, Chad

Sent: Thursday, January 23, 2020 9:07 AM

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Thanks,

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From: Levine, Carolyn < Levine.Carolyn@epa.gov>

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Subject: Re: Request for regional site fact sheets for FY2021 budget hearings

Thanks Jen.

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Carolyn Levine Office of Congressional Affairs U.S. EPA (202) 564-1859

On Jan 23, 2020, at 8:26 AM, Wilbur, Jennifer < Wilbur. Jennifer@epa.gov> wrote:

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From: White, Terri-A < White. Terri-A@epa.gov > Sent: Wednesday, January 22, 2020 6:24 PM

To: Wilbur, Jennifer < <u>Wilbur.Jennifer@epa.gov</u>>; Levine, Carolyn < <u>Levine.Carolyn@epa.gov</u>> **Cc:** Nitsch, Chad < <u>Nitsch.Chad@epa.gov</u>>; Ferrell, Mark < <u>Ferrell.Mark@epa.gov</u>>; Zieba, Kyle

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Jennifer,

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From: Wilbur, Jennifer < Wilbur. Jennifer@epa.gov > Sent: Wednesday, January 22, 2020 2:57 PM

To: White, Terri-A < <u>White.Terri-A@epa.gov</u>>; Levine, Carolyn < <u>Levine.Carolyn@epa.gov</u>> **Cc:** Nitsch, Chad < <u>Nitsch.Chad@epa.gov</u>>; Ferrell, Mark < <u>Ferrell.Mark@epa.gov</u>>; Zieba, Kyle

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Subject: RE: Request for regional site fact sheets for FY2021 budget hearings

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From: White, Terri-A < White. Terri-A@epa.gov > Sent: Wednesday, January 22, 2020 2:55 PM

To: Wilbur, Jennifer < <u>Wilbur.Jennifer@epa.gov</u>>; Levine, Carolyn < <u>Levine.Carolyn@epa.gov</u>> **Cc:** Nitsch, Chad < Nitsch.Chad@epa.gov>; Ferrell, Mark < Ferrell.Mark@epa.gov>; Zieba, Kyle

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The explanation was given earlier by Linda Dietz (you are copied on her email). Let me check one more time with our SF management. I'll get back shortly.

Terri

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From: Wilbur, Jennifer < Wilbur. Jennifer@epa.gov > Sent: Wednesday, January 22, 2020 1:49 PM

To: White, Terri-A < <u>White.Terri-A@epa.gov</u>>; Levine, Carolyn < <u>Levine.Carolyn@epa.gov</u>> **Cc:** Nitsch, Chad < <u>Nitsch.Chad@epa.gov</u>>; Ferrell, Mark < <u>Ferrell.Mark@epa.gov</u>>; Zieba, Kyle

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Subject: RE: Request for regional site fact sheets for FY2021 budget hearings

Importance: High

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From: White, Terri-A < White. Terri-A@epa.gov > Sent: Tuesday, January 21, 2020 6:41 PM

To: Wilbur, Jennifer < <u>Wilbur.Jennifer@epa.gov</u>>; Levine, Carolyn < <u>Levine.Carolyn@epa.gov</u>> **Cc:** Nitsch, Chad < <u>Nitsch.Chad@epa.gov</u>>; Ferrell, Mark < <u>Ferrell.Mark@epa.gov</u>>; Zieba, Kyle

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From: Wilbur, Jennifer < Wilbur. Jennifer@epa.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, January 21, 2020 6:14 PM

To: Levine, Carolyn < Levine. Carolyn@epa.gov>; White, Terri-A < White. Terri-A@epa.gov> **Cc:** Nitsch, Chad < Nitsch. Chad@epa.gov>; Ferrell, Mark < Ferrell. Mark@epa.gov>; Zieba, Kyle

Subject: RE: Request for regional site fact sheets for FY2021 budget hearings

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From: Levine, Carolyn < Levine. Carolyn@epa.gov >

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To: White, Terri-A < White. Terri-A@epa.gov>

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Subject: Re: Request for regional site fact sheets for FY2021 budget hearings

Thanks Terri. The terms are both used. I use issue papers. We are doing PFAS issue papers at headquarters, going out to the regions as needed. So you don't need to proactively prepare anything yet, stay tuned. Thank you!

Carolyn Levine Office of Congressional Affairs U.S. EPA (202) 564-1859

On Jan 17, 2020, at 4:31 PM, White, Terri-A < White. Terri-A@epa.gov > wrote:

Hi Carolyn,

R3 can prepare an issue paper for Normsponsive based on nevised scope NPL site (Unfunded RA in Va.). We could also prepare a PFAS issue paper which discusses several sites in R3 that have PFAS compounds.

Question: are we calling these requested documents "issue papers" or "fact sheets?"

Terri

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From: Levine, Carolyn < Levine. Carolyn@epa.gov >

Sent: Thursday, January 16, 2020 5:53 PM

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Subject: Request for regional site fact sheets for FY2021 budget hearings

Good afternoon PADs/RCLs,

Following up on my discussion on today's OPA comms call and the RCL call, we are preparing for the Administrator's upcoming budget hearings. I understand that OCFO has already forwarded Tony's email below to your budget poc's, so this request may have already gone out. Please see additional information below and ensure that the RCLs/PADs are involved in the process and that the RA's office reviews and approves hearing issue papers before submittal to HQ.

Attached:

- 1. list of Members on four committees
- 2. <u>Draft</u> table of contents (TOC) for all issue papers (list is based on the Sept. 2019 HSST hearing prep, so will need to be updated. *Priority issues for budget hearings are highlighted in yellow)
- 3. Template for issue paper format (no more than one-page)
- 4. OLEM spreadsheet of all member sites

Site issue paper request: The attached spreadsheet includes all sites by region, committee, member. Please review the list for your region ASAP and identify which sites warrant issue papers for Committee members. The list includes: all NPL (P, F, D), SAA, and LTRA. OLEM notes that the list does not necessarily capture removal sites or other high visibility sites that aren't on the NPL or SAA, so please let us know if they should be added.

Peter Wright, OLEM AA, would like the regions to review this list and affirmative identify those sites that they think need fact sheets. We do NOT expect a fact sheet for each one. Once you identify which sites should be included, we will pull those from the prior hearing and distribute for updating. Note that there are a few members missing on the spreadsheet that we will send tomorrow.

Other regional issues: Note that while the TOC currently lists regional "sites" we will modify this to be "issues" to include other high-level/significant issues for a committee member. Please identify any additional hot issues asap to OCIR Team Leads. Any additions need to be <u>approved</u> by the RA.

Deadlines:

January 17: regions identify sites in OLEM spreadsheet that require issue papers due to OLEM, OCIR

January 23: regions submit RA-cleared *priority issue papers due to OLEM, OCIR January 27: RA-cleared (non-priority) regional issue papers + sites for awareness 1-2 bullets due to OLEM, OCIR

Submissions to: Carolyn Levine, Jennifer Wilbur and Meredith Sebring

Please let me know any questions.

Thank you! Carolyn

*Priority issues were identified this week by regional & HQ staff

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From: Frye, Tony (Robert) < frye.robert@epa.gov>

Sent: Thursday, January 16, 2020 9:22 AM

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Subject: Fact Sheets for FY2021 Budget Hearings

Importance: High

All, it is time once again to begin our annual budget hearing preparations for the Administrator. In an effort to help speed up this process I've included a list of all the program fact sheets we'll need for the Administrator's briefing binder based on previous hearing lists and incorporates topics that we produced previously. As with the Science Committee hearing from this past fall, we will be undertaking two binders to help the Administrator process the information in a couple of tranches rather than in a single bite.

Highlighted, in the attached are the factsheets that will need to be finalized by the programs by **COB on Monday, January 27**th, for inclusion in his initial binder. Additionally, should your programs have any suggested alterations to the Table of Contents, sans the highlighted portion, please feel free to let us know if you have any edits before this date.

The remainder of the factsheets, which will all be included in the final binder are due by **COB** on **Monday**, **February** 3rd.

This year, in order to help streamline the update process, we will be using the Budget Formulation System, which your budget colleagues should already be able

to access and provide the necessary edits to the individual factsheets. I've included folks from OCFO in case there are questions they are better suited to responding regarding the System or other budget specific issues. Also, please note to direct programs to work with OGC staff in the development of their documents to reduce the lag time between all of the reviews needed to finalize the binders.

Finally, attached is a draft example of a factsheet for formatting purposes. This is the same format that is found within the current sheets, so there shouldn't be much in terms of having to correct existing sheets.

Given the tight timelines, please let us know if you have any questions, receive any feedback or pushback from the programs within your respective remits, or need any assistance in encouraging the programs to complete their factsheets within the designated timeframes.

Most importantly, thank you for your efforts in advance, this is a team effort and will require all of us to accomplish this goal. Have a great day!

Best, Tony

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